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Military underground shelters are being constructed in Eastern Serbia, in the Mava river valley, between the Gornjak convent and the village of Ripar. Construction is being carried out by military labor units under the supervision of military engineers. The site is guarded by army troops and civilians are barred from the area.

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Project 3 had been completed and work was continuing on the other projects, No. 4 being the closest to completion. "The Special Department" of the General Directorate for Military Construction is in charge of the projects. General Smirnov is in overall command and construction is under Major Vinko Menart, an engineer born in Ljubljana and living at 4 Lole Ribar Street, Belgrade. Assistants to Menart are Captain Marko Matijevic and Captain Bozanic.

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Comment: A sketch is available which shows the location of the various projects, totaling seven but numbered from 3 to 12, and also a detailed sketch of project 3. Each underground shelter is designated as a project, the distances between projects varying up to 2 kilometers.

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